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### AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

1-7. (Canceled)

8. (Currently amended) A method of screening for agents that modulate the interaction of an RRP polypeptide with an RRP binding target, comprising:

- a) expressing a recombinant RRP polypeptide,
- b) incubating the recombinant RRP polypeptide with an RRP binding target and a candidate RRP modulating agent and
- c) determining whether said candidate RRP modulating agent modulates the binding of RRP polypeptide with the RRP binding target,  
wherein RRP is selected from the group consisting of RRP1, RRP2, RRP3, RRP4, RRP5, RRP6, RRP7, RRP8, and mRRP1.

9. (Original claim) The method according to claim 8 wherein said binding target is selected from the group consisting of TGF $\alpha$ , EGF, and amphiregulin.

10. (Original claim) The method according to claim 8 wherein said binding target is TGF $\alpha$ .

11. (Original claim) The method according to claim 8 wherein said candidate RRP modulating agent is an antibody.

12. (Original claim) The method according to claim 8 wherein said candidate RRP modulating agent is a small organic molecule.

13-51. (Canceled).